

used to \$20,000, but the reply was they were not inclined to give a man that much. Senator Pettigrew declared that he declined the offer and conducted an investigation to the result that he satisfied himself that the Republican party finances were a large measure Mr. Watson's campaign.

Watson Makes Tart Reply.

PLANT, GA., September 28.—In reply to the charges made by former Governor and United States Senator Pettigrew, Thomas E. Watson to-night issued the following statement to the Associated Press:

"The reason why Mr. Bryan has put forward Pettigrew to attack me is that